

June 9, 2002

Ms. Joy Fitzgerald Director - Office of Affordable Housing Georgia Department of Community Affairs 60 Executive Park South, N.E. Atlanta, Georgia 30329-2231

Re: Market Study – Wood's Pointe– Dublin, Laurens County, Georgia

Dear Ms. Fitzgerald:

Please find the enclosed market study for the above-referenced project. Overall, we rate the 72-unit development as a "fail" as set forth below:

## Site

The subject is located in a declining area of single-family homes with limited visibility.

## Affordability

The units appear to be priced approximately 5 percent below market. We normally recommend that rents for tax credit units be set approximately 20 percent below market. In our opinion, therefore, property is overpriced.

## Capture Rate

Our estimated capture rates for this project are very high. Required capture rates for the unit types proposed in this project run as high as 57 percent.

## **Absorption Period**

Our estimated absorption period for this project is very long. We anticipate a 44-month lease up for the slowest-moving units in this project. The long lease-up reflects the high capture rates for this development.

Feel free to contact me with any questions you may have regarding our work.

Sincerely,

Jeff Carroll

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